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DepEconCouns/ESTHoff delivered Reftel demarche on 5/8 to Minister of Health Dr. Pilar Mazetti and the Ministry's point person for smallpox, Executive Director of Epidemiology Dr. Gladys Ramirez. At that time and in subsequent conversations, Ramirez said that Ministry officials were studying various reports and formulating the GOP's position. On 5/23, Ramirez told ESTHoff that she had recommended to the Minister that Peru support the U.S. position; while Minister Mazetti was going to review her staff's recommendation enroute to Geneva. Ramirez said Mazetti was expected to formally support the U.S. position.
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